SWING LAMP ADAPTED TO SHOW FLICKERING LIGHT AND SHADE

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

5 The present invention relates to a swing lamp, and more particularly to a swing lamp having an internal flexible lamp holder. When a housing of the swing lamp is pushed to swing like a tumbler, the flexible lamp holder sways at the same time, so that color light emitted from light-emitting diodes mounted on a top of the flexible lamp holder are projected on the housing to produce flickering and changeful light and shade at different positions.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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There are various differently designed lighting fixtures, including swing lamps. A conventional swing lamp normally includes a translucent housing that may be freely pushed to swing like a tumbler, and a lighting device fixedly mounted in the housing. When the lighting device emits light while the housing is swinging, the emitted light swings regularly along with the swinging housing to produce a dynamic ornamental effect.

It is noted the lighting device is fixedly mounted in the housing to move along with the swinging housing in the same direction. That is, the housing and the lighting device are not moving in a relative motion. Therefore, there is not changeful and flickering light and shade produced by the moving lighting device on the swinging housing.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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A primary object of the present invention is to provide a swing lamp that is adapted to produce flickering and changeful light and shade at different positions on a housing thereof when the lamp is swinging.

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To achieve the above and other objects, the swing lamp of the present invention mainly includes a housing and a light-emitting device mounted in the housing. The housing is so structured that it may swing like a tumbler when it is pushed or touched. The light-emitting device includes a flexible lamp holder, and a plurality of light-emitting diodes mounted on a top of the flexible lamp holder and powered by a power supply to emit light toward a translucent upper part of the housing in different directions. When the housing is pushed to swing, the flexible lamp holder

in the housing sways at the same time, causing the light emitted from the light-emitting diodes to produce irregularly changeful light and shade at different positions on the housing and thereby enabling the swing lamp to provide a dynamic ornamental effect.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

- The structure and the technical means adopted by the

 10 present invention to achieve the above and other

 objects can be best understood by referring to the

 following detailed description of the preferred

 embodiments and the accompanying drawings, wherein
- 15 Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a swing lamp according to a first embodiment of the present invention;
 - Fig. 2 is an exploded perspective view of Fig. 1;
- Fig. 3 is an enlarged view of a light-emitting device included in the swing lamp of the present invention; and
- Fig. 4 is a perspective view of a swing lamp according to a second embodiment of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Please refer to Figs. 1, 2, and 3 in which a swing lamp 1 according to a first embodiment of the present invention is shown. As shown, the swing lamp 1 mainly includes a housing 10 and a light-emitting device 20 mounted in the housing 10. The housing 10 may be of any shape so long as it may keep swinging like a tumbler when the lamp 1 is pushed or touched. In the first embodiment illustrated in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, the housing 10 includes a lower housing 12 having a semispherical bottom 11, and a translucent upper housing 13. A weight, such as a metal block (not shown), is mounted in the lower housing 12, so that a center of gravity of the swing lamp 1 falls at a lower central area in the lower housing 12. With these arrangements, the housing 10 may keep swinging like a tumbler when it is pushed or touched, and return from the swinging state to an upright and balanced state after a period of time.

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Fig. 4 shows a swing lamp 1 according to a second embodiment of the present invention. In the second embodiment, the housing 10 is connected at a bottom to a top of an elastic element 14, such as a spring providing a suitable elasticity and flexibility. The

elastic element 14 is then connected at a bottom to a supporting base 15 that may stably and securely stand on a surface. When the housing 10 is pushed or touched, the elastic element 14 allows the lamp 1 to swing like a tumbler on the supporting base 15.

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As can be clearly seen from Fig. 3, the light-emitting device 20 mounted in the lower housing 12 includes a power supply 21, a flexible lamp holder 22, a plurality of light-emitting diodes (LED) 23 mounted on a top of 10 the flexible lamp holder 22, and an operating button 24. The power supply 21 provides power to the light-emitting diodes 23 for the same to emit light. Preferably, the flexible lamp holder 22 is fixedly 15 connected at a lower end to an inner side of the lower housing 12 to uprightly extend from a center of the lower housing 12. The flexible lamp holder 22 includes a swing seat 221 and an elastic element 222, which may be a spring connected at an upper end to a bottom of 20 the swing seat 221 and at a lower end to the inner bottom center of the lower housing 12. With an elastic force provided by the elastic element 222, the swing seat 221 may sway in the housing 10 to movements of the elastic element 222 without the need of any driving 25 mechanism.

The light-emitting diodes 23 are mounted to a top of the swing seat 221 and may emit different color light in different directions to produce light and shade at different positions on the translucent upper housing 13 of the lamp 1. The operating button 24 has an end projected from a lower part of the lower housing 12 for a user to control on/off and/or illuminating patterns of the light-emitting diodes 23. For instance, it is possible for the light-emitting diodes 23 to light, extinguish, and flash alternately.

To use the swing lamp 1, simply apply a minor force to push or touch the housing 10 for the latter to move back and forth. At this point, the swing seat 221 of the flexible lamp holder 22 is also caused to sway irregularly, so that the light-emitting diodes 23 on the swing seat 221 move along with the latter to produce irregularly moving light and shade on the translucent upper housing 13. The color light emitted from the light-emitting diodes 23 further increases colorful changes in the irregular light and shade, enabling the swing lamp 1 to provide a dynamic ornamental effect.